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For Immediate Release:

COBURN AWARDED SIGMA TAU DELTA GRADUATE AWARD

CHARLESTON – Eastern Illinois University student Tara Coburn of Belleville recently won a 2002 Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society Graduate Scholarship. This highly competitive scholarship supports the student's continued study in the field of English.

Sigma Tau Delta is the International English Honor Society. A member of the Association of College Honor Societies, it was founded in 1924 at Dakota Wesleyan University. The purposes of the society are to confer distinction for high achievement in English language and literature in undergraduate, graduate and professional studies; to promote interest in literature and the English language on local campuses and their surrounding communities; and to foster the discipline of English in all its aspects, including creative and critical writing.

Membership in Sigma Tau Delta is an outward recognition of personal

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accomplishment. It also serves as an incentive for continued high scholarship.

Coburn is the daughter of John Coburn and Carol Coburn, both of Belleville. She is a 1997 graduate of Belleville East High School and a graduate student in the English program.